# Planned Residential Community (PRC) Districts

Presented by the Fairfax County Department of Planning and Zoning

Langston Hughes Middle School, Reston

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#### Agenda

- · Meeting goal and format
- Staff Presentation
  - Issue explanation
  - Areas for consideration with Q&A
  - Review of staff recommendations
- Q&A
- Next steps

#### What is the PRC?

- Minimum district size of 750 acres
- Under single ownership or control
- Flexible zoning provisions
- Density cap of 13 persons per acre
- Unique framework for managing and guiding development

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## Purpose and Intent of the PRC District

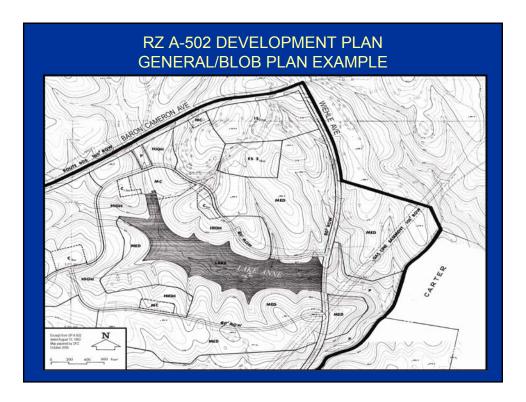
To provide flexibility and incentive for the development of a community that demonstrates excellence in physical, social and economic planning, and provides an integration of land uses throughout the District.

#### **Development Plans**

- General / "Blob" plans
  - Type of residential density
  - General land area
- Specific plans
  - Type of residential density
  - More identifiers of subject land area
  - Type of dwelling units
  - Number of dwelling units
  - Lot and street layouts

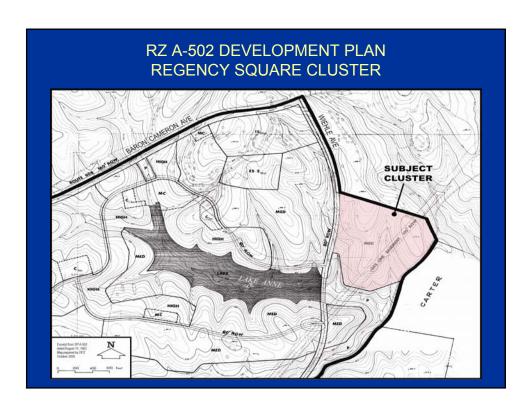
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# RZ 79-C-023 — SPECIFIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN EXAMPLE

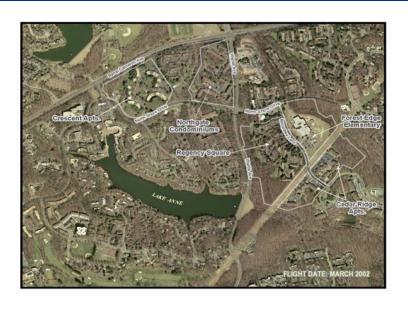


#### Changes in Circumstance

- No longer under single ownership
- · Little, if any, undeveloped land
- Development typically proposed at high residential densities
- Approaching density cap
- · Interest in revitalization
- Redevelopment of non-residential uses to residential uses

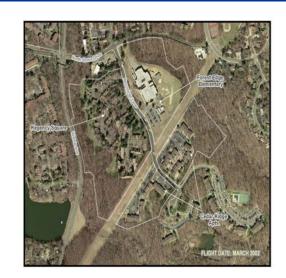


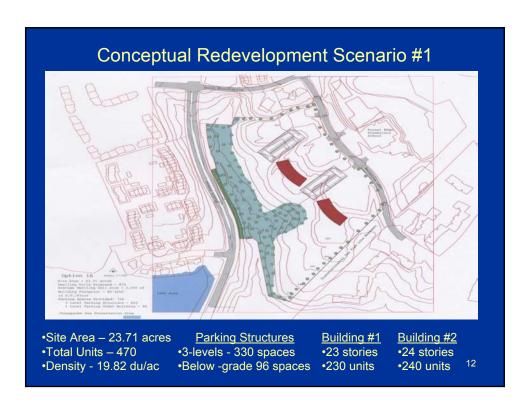
#### EXISTING DEVELOPMENT NEAR REGENCY SQUARE

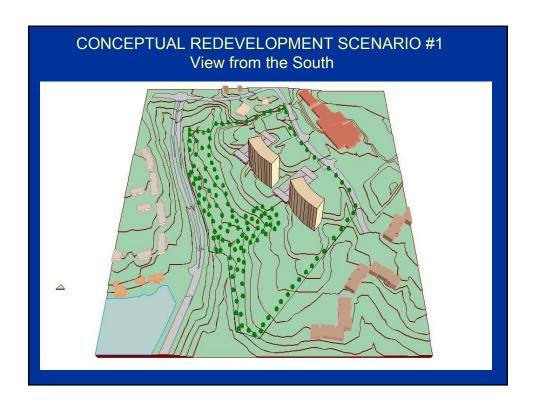


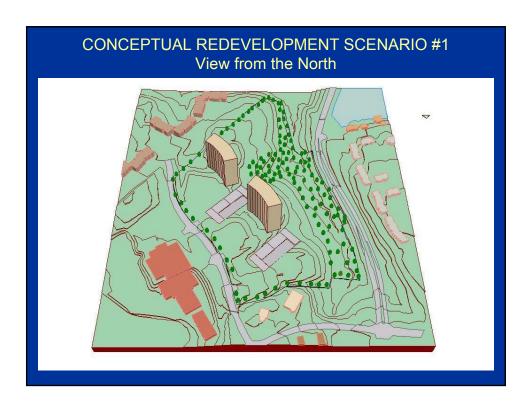
#### **REGENCY SQUARE CLUSTER**

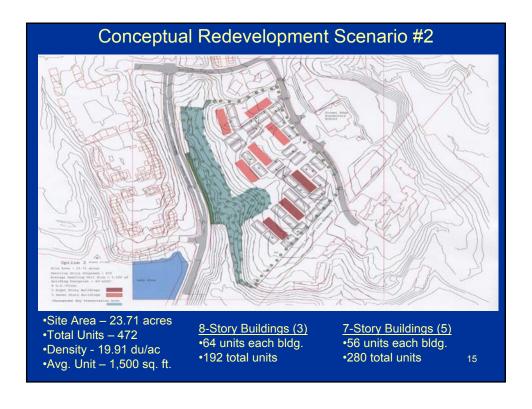
- Acreage 23.71
- Unit Type SFA
- Dwelling Units 90
- Density 3.79 du/ac
- Height 2 stories
- DP Med. Density
- Max. Potential Info
  - 20 du/ac
  - No height limit
  - No min. open space requirement

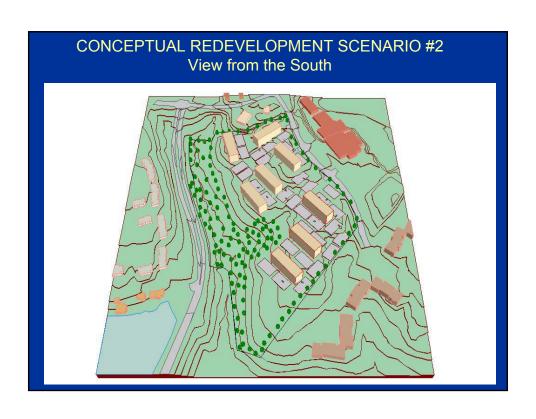


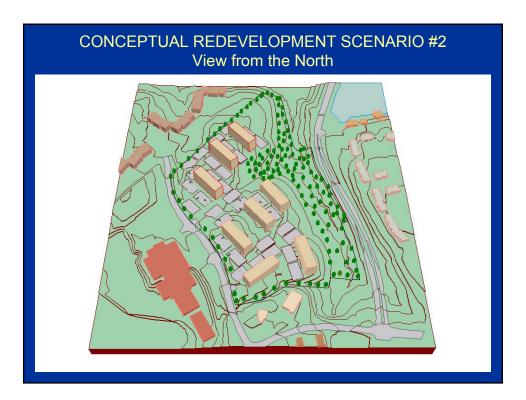












#### **Areas for Consideration**

- 1. Is it appropriate to retain or modify the 13 persons per acre cap?
- 2. Is it appropriate to modify population factors?
- 3. Should changes to the processing of PRC Plans be considered?
- 4. Should the Comprehensive Plan text and Reston Master Plan maps be amended?
- 5. Is it appropriate to undertake additional planning studies?

#### Break?

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# How to Calculate PRC Population & Density under Zoning Ordinance

- 13 persons per acre
- 6,224 acres zoned PRC
   (For a maximum population of 80,912)
- Dwelling unit type and count
- Average household size ("Population factors")

## Number of Dwelling Units\*

Dwelling Unit Type	Number of Units
Single family, detached	4,247
Single family, attached	8,205
Garden (4 or less stories)	10,475
Elevator (5 or more stories)	3,516

<sup>\*</sup> DPZ estimate based on Dept. of Tax Admin. & Plan Control data

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## Pending Applications\*

Project	# Units	Status
JGB/Reston Sheraton	600	PRC Plan Pending
Oracle Site	457	CPA Approved
Equity	560	PCA/DPA Pending
Spectrum/Lerner	1443	CPA Pending
Summit/ParcReston/ Jonathan's Keepe**	110	PCA/DPA Pending
Boston Properties	400	PCA/DPA Indefinitely Deferred

<sup>\*</sup>All elevator units. \*\* Original PCA approved for 696 units, of which 586 are in staff unit count. 418 of the 586 are existing.

#### Reston Population Calculation\*

Unit type	# Units	1974 Factor	Population Total
Single family detached	4,247	3.5	14,865
Single family attached	8,205	3.0	24,615
Garden	10,475	2.5	26,188
Elevator	3,516	2.0	<u>7,032</u>
			72,700

<sup>\*</sup> With Zoning Ordinance population factors and DPZ unit count

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#### Reston Density: Persons / Acre

Zoning Ordinance population / acres zoned PRC = persons per acre

72,700 persons / 6,224 acres = 11.68 persons/acre

Max. population – Zoning Ordinance population = persons of available density

80,912 - 72,700 = 8,212 persons

#### Residential Development Potential

8,212 persons of available density =

2,346 single family detached units

or

2,737 single family attached units

or

3,284 garden units

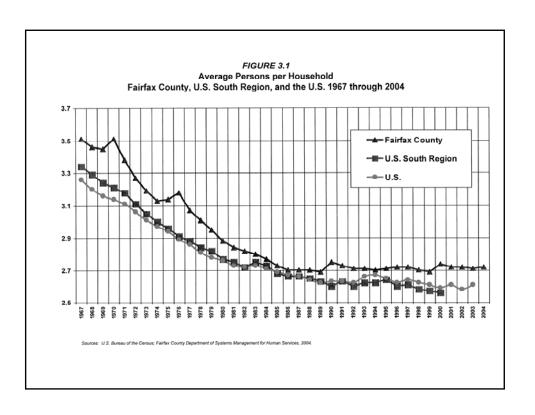
or

4,106 elevator units

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## **Population Factors**

Unit type	Existing factor 1974 data	Updated factor 2005 data	
Single family detached	3.5	3.0	
Single family attached	3.0	2.7	
Garden	2.5	2.1	
Elevator	2.0	2.1	



## Z.O. Population: Updated Factors\*

Unit type	# Units**	Factor***	Total
Single family detached	4,247	3.0	12,741
Single family attached	8,205	2.7	22,154
Garden	10,475	0.4	21,998
Elevator	3,516	2.1	<u>7,384</u>
			64,227

\*Result: 10.33 persons/acre; additional 3,815 units.

<sup>\*\*</sup>DPZ estimate; \*\*\*2005 County demographic report.

### **Population Comparison**

Source	Population
13 persons/acre density cap*	80,912
Reston Master Plan	Approx. 78,000 (Range: 69,000 – 87,000)
Existing population factors*	72,700
Updated population factors**	64,227
2000 Census	Approx. 56,000***

<sup>\*</sup>As provided in the Zoning Ordinance. \*\*Based on 2005 County demographic report. \*\*\*For land area greater than Reston PRC; DPZ estimate for Reston PRC based on Census is approx. 50,000.

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#### Q&A

#### Questions on the issues of:

1. Modifying or retaining the 13 persons per acre residential density cap?

or

2. Updating the population factors?

# Change PRC plan approval process?

- Rezoning
  - Approval by Board of Supervisors
- Development plan
  - Approval by Board of Supervisors
- PRC plan
  - Approval by Department of Public Works and Environmental Services (DPWES)
- Site plan
  - Approval by DPWES

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# PRC Plan: Submission Requirements

- Location of buildings
- Units: Number & type
- Gross floor area of non-residential uses
- Architectural concepts
- Height
- Distance of structures to property lines

- Open space
- · Recreational facilities
- Traffic circulation, access, parking
- Trails, pedestrian circulation
- Stormwater management facilities
- Floodplains

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#### PRC Plan: Review Standards

- Substantial conformance with the approved development plan
- Purpose and intent and the objectives of Sect. 6-301 of the Zoning Ordinance
- Design standards of Sect. 16-102 of the Zoning Ordinance

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#### Purpose and Intent/Objectives

- 1. Balanced community
- 2. Orderly and creative arrangement of land uses
- 3. Integrated transportation system
- 4. Culture, education, recreation & medical facilities
- 5. Structures located to take advantage of natural environment
- 6. Adequate and well-designed open space
- 7. Staging of development to public utilities, facilities and services

#### PRC Plan: Design Standards

- 1. At peripheral boundaries, bulk, landscaping and screening requirements conform to most similar conventional zoning district of abutting property
- 2. Street systems designed for convenient access to mass transit
- 3. Coordinated trails and sidewalks to open space, recreation, public facilities, etc.

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#### **Potential Process Changes**

- Same standards of evaluation
- · Approval process could be changed:
  - Staff review and recommendation
  - Planning Commission recommendation
  - Action by Board of Supervisors
  - Allows for public participation
  - Same process for residential & non-residential

#### Q&A

#### Questions on the issue of:

3. Changing the processing of PRC Plans?

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#### **Amend Plans?**

- Comprehensive Plan text
  - Protects stable residential neighborhoods and encourages compatible infill
- Reston Master Plan maps
  - Are shown in Comprehensive Plan
  - Have not been updated in 15 years
  - Could be revised to reflect existing residential densities rather than general residential categories

#### Policy Plan Guidance

- Encourage land use pattern that protects and enhances stability in established residential neighborhoods
- Achieve development pattern which minimizes impacts of incompatible uses
- Promote sound urban design principles to increase functional efficiency and impart appropriate character and appearance

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#### Guidelines for Neighborhood Redevelopment

- Traffic analysis
- No adverse impact on public facilities
- Scale and intensity of development compatible with adjacent properties
- Furthers County goals
- No long-term impact on environment
- Stormwater management

#### Q&A

#### Questions on the issue of:

4. Should the Comprehensive Plan text and Reston Master Plan maps be amended?

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#### Planning Initiatives

- Continue community initiative focused on Lake Anne Village Center
- If there are other specific areas needing study, these would need to be identified and prioritized

#### General Q&A

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### **Next Steps**

- Upcoming meetings
  - October 24th and November 15th
  - 7:00-9:30 pm
  - Langston Hughes Middle School, Reston